2011 RPS Review:

Public Stakeholder Kick-off Meeting

Public Utilities Commission 2/14/2011



Today's Agenda

Background

Process & Timeline

CESA: RPS National Overview

NH Baseline Data

Categories & Workshops

Questions



Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS)

- Renewable Energy Act 2007, a.k.a, RPS Law
- Purpose to increase use of clean, renewable power generation by utilities
- Establishes portfolio requirements for new (Class I & II) and existing (Class III & IV) sources.
- Requirements ramp up to 24% by 2025

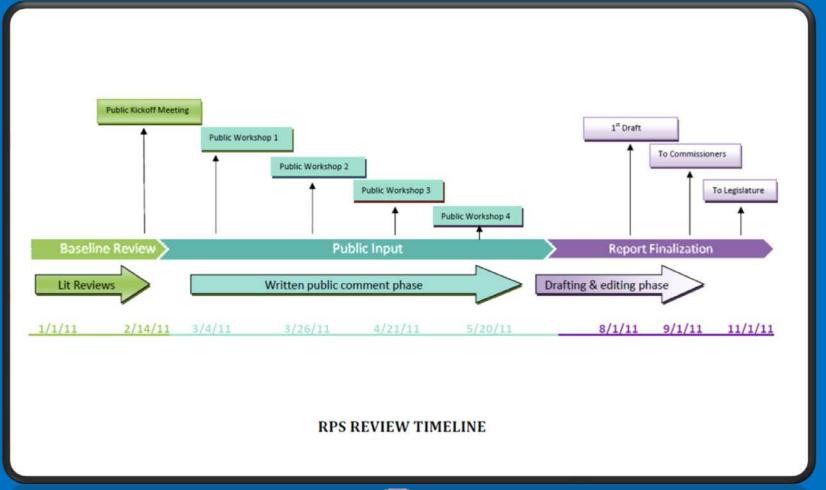


RSA 362-F: 5 Commission Review & Report Due November 2011

- 1. Adequacy or potential adequacy of sources to class requirements;
- II. The class requirements of all sources in light of existing and expected market conditions;
- III. Potential for addition of a thermal energy component;
- IV. Increasing the class requirements relative to classes I and II beyond 2025;
- V. Possible introduction of any new classes such as an energy efficiency class or the consolidation of existing ones;
- VI. Timeframe and manner in which new renewable class I and II sources might transition to existing renewable sources and how new and existing sources requirements might be adjusted;
- VII. Evaluation of the benefits and risks of using multi-year purchase agreements for REC (with purchased power), in consideration of the restructuring policy principles of RSA 374-F:3;
- VIII. Alternative methods for renewable portfolio standard compliance, such as competitive procurement through a centralized entity; and
- IX. Distribution of the renewable energy fund.



Review Process & Timeline



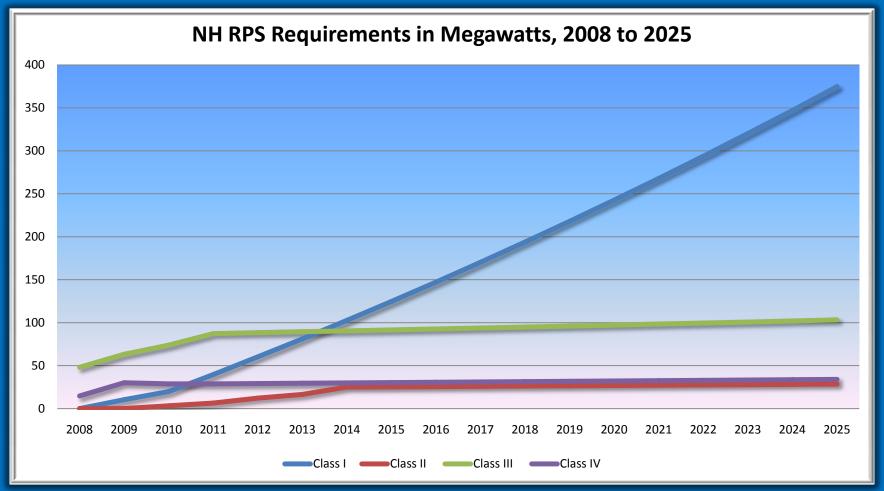


The Status of State RPS Efforts: Observations & Trends

Mark Sinclair
Clean Energy States Alliance
February 14, 2011



NH Baseline Data: RPS Requirements

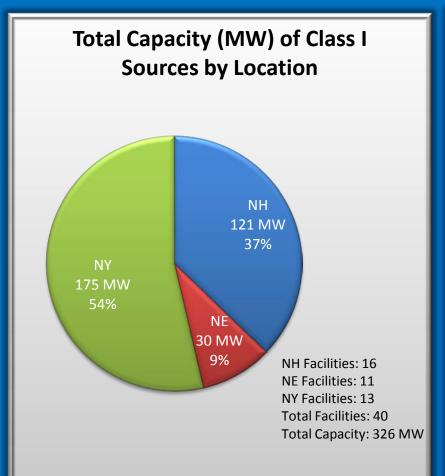


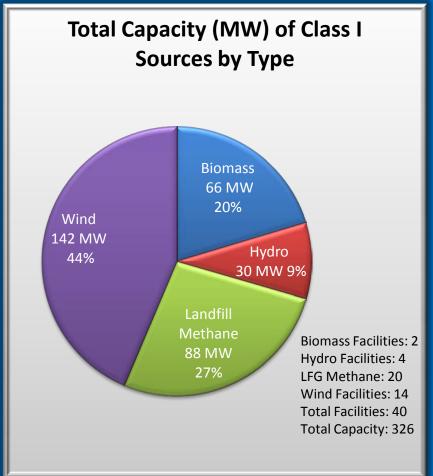


NH Baseline Data: ACP Rates

Inflation Adjusted Alternative Compliance Payment per Megawatt-hour				
Class	2008	2009	2010	2011
Class I	\$58.58	\$60.92	\$60.93	\$62.13
Class II	\$153.84	\$159.98	\$160.01	\$163.16
Class III	\$28.72	\$29.87	\$29.87	\$30.46
Class IV	\$28.72	\$29.87	\$29.87	\$30.46

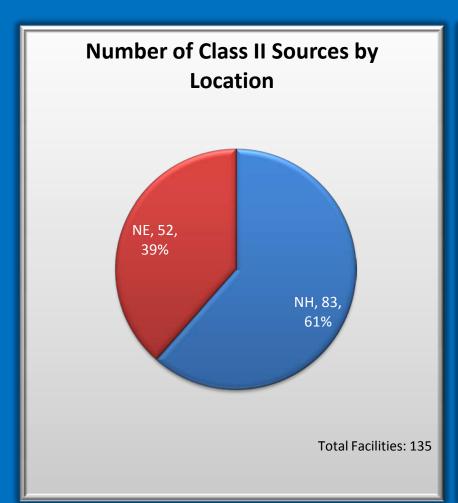
NH Baseline Data: Class I Sources

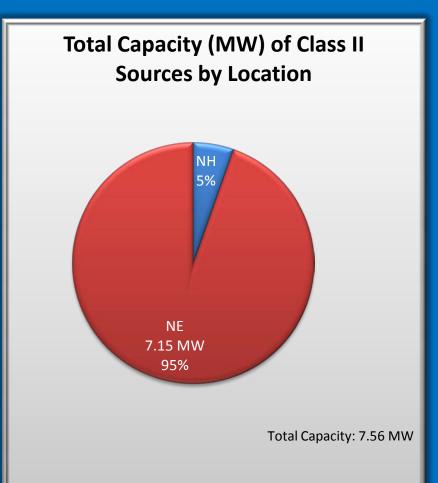






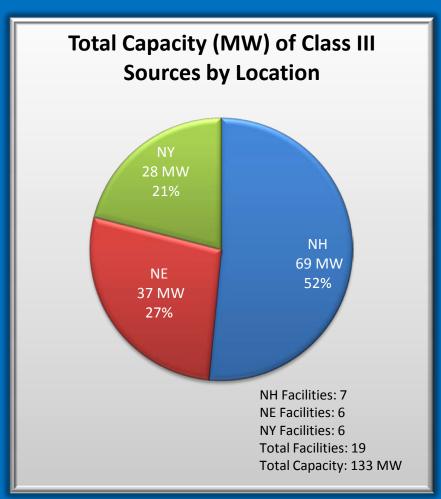
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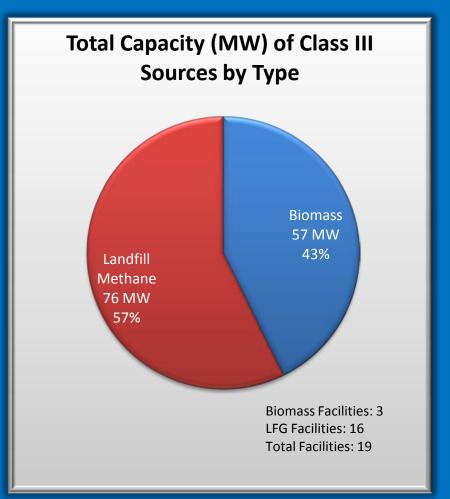






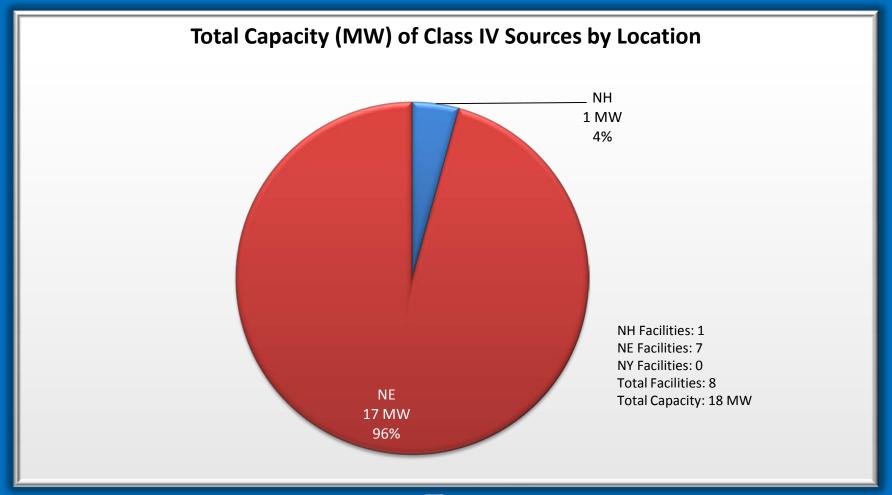
NH Baseline Data: Class III Sources







NH Baseline Data: Class IV Sources





New Hampshire Specific RPS Developments/Concerns: Observations

- The majority of Class I (63%) and Class II (95%) eligible capacity is not located in NH.
- Excess supply of Class I RECs resulting in a decrease in the market value of Class I RECs below the value of Class III & IV RECs.
- Currently, there is a shortage of Class IV RECs.



New Hampshire Specific RPS Developments/Concerns: Questions

- How should NH encourage development of in-state Class II sources?
- Are the Class I and Class II REC requirements adequate?
- Should the RPS have a thermal and/or energy efficiency component?
- Should NH consider an alternative to utility procurement of RECs?



Review:

9 Items grouped into 4 Categories

Category 1:
Class
Requirements

- Adequacy of current/ potential resources
- Class 1 and 2 beyond 2025
- Transition of new sources into existing sources

Category 2: New Classes

- Energy Efficiency Class
- Thermal Energy Class

Category 3: RPS Compliance

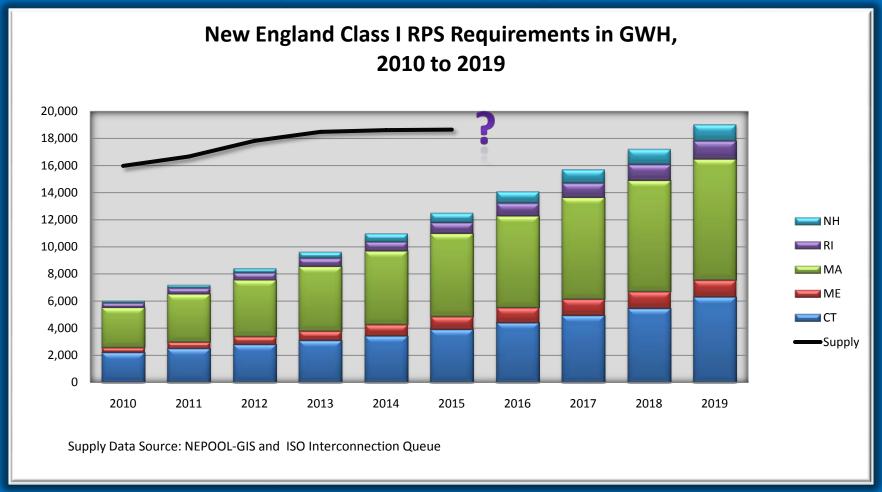
- Multi-year procurement agreements
- Competitive Procurement through Central Agency

Category 4:
Distribution of
REF

Fund Distribution to Date



New England Class I RPS Requirements by State



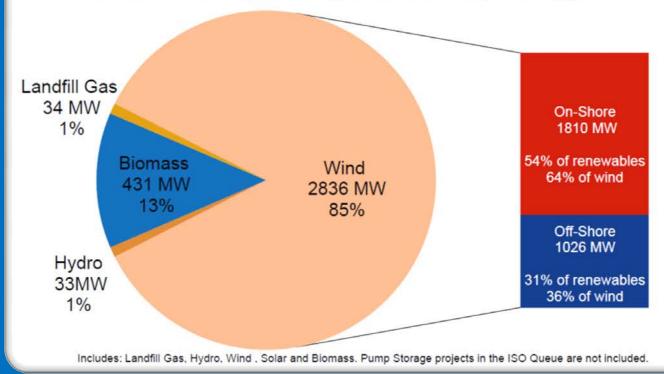


Proposed Renewable Projects in New England



+3,300 MW of Renewables in ISO Queue, Wind dominant fuel

MW Renewables, February 2011 Queue by Fuel Type

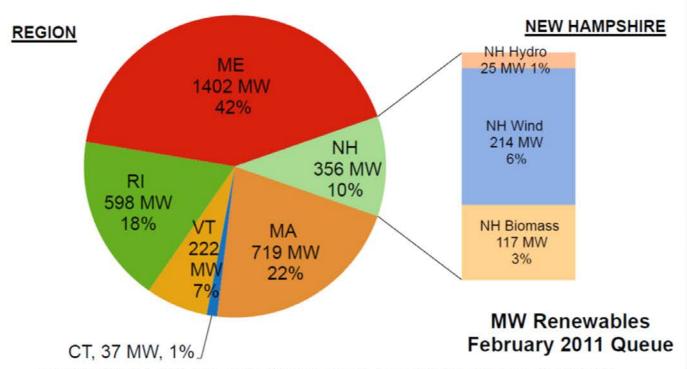


Includes: Landfill Gas, Hydro, Wind , Solar and Bh. Annual Discourage projects in the ISO Queue are not included.

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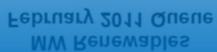
NH has mix of hydro, biomass and wind proposed



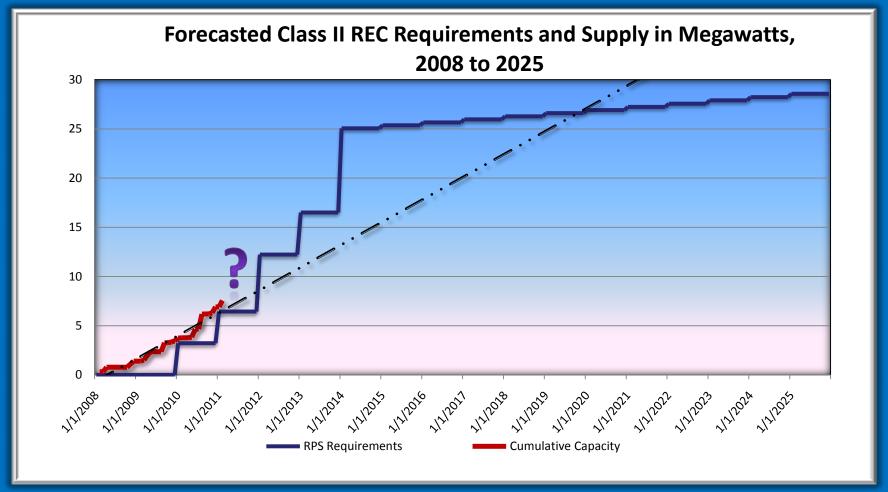
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CT, 37 MW, 1%_

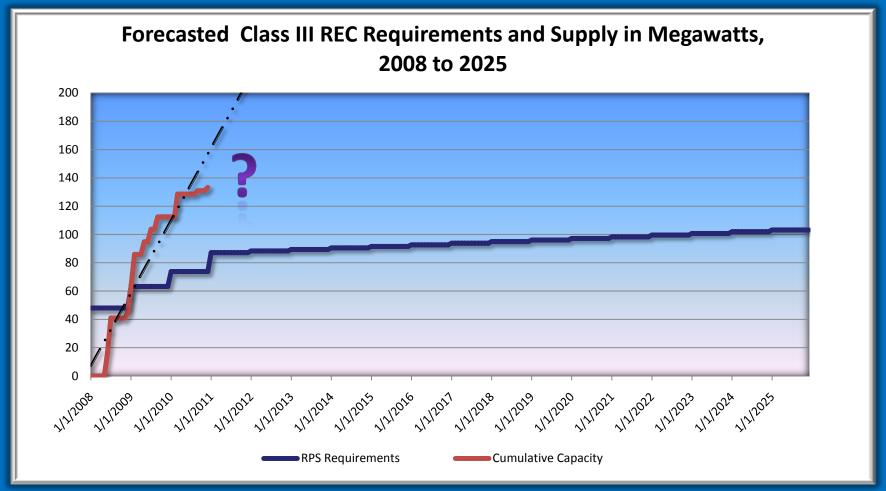


Category 1-Class Requirements: Class II



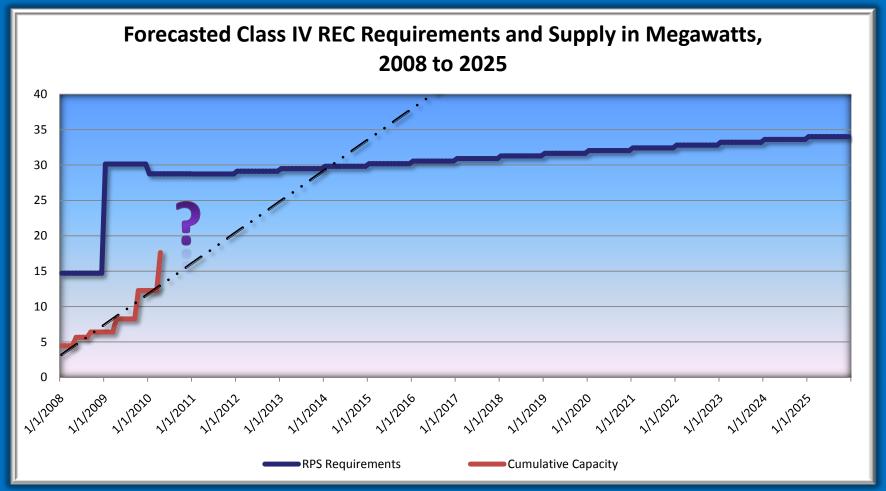


Category 1-Class Requirements: Class III





Category 1-Class Requirements: Class IV





Category 2 -New Classes: Thermal

- Examples: Combined Heat & Power (CHP), flywheel technologies and fuel cells.
- CHP- captures and utilizes heat that is normally wasted.
- Achieve total system efficiencies of 60% to 80%
- Reduced emissions (CO2, NOx, SO2), grid congestion and costs and increased reliability.
- AZ, CO, HI, MA, MI, NC, NV, OH, PA, WA



Category 2 – New Classes: EE

- Measureable energy efficiency as an RPS requirement
- May be counted as energy savings from projected load or baseline load
- May include reduction targets in both energy and peak demand (capacity)
- May be technology specific or widely open include savings from building codes, demand response (DR), etc.



Category 2 – New Classes: EE

21 States have Energy Efficiency Resource Standards

NE: Interim Energy Plan stresses multi-sector EE improvements

KS: Voluntary utility programs

OK: PSC approved quick-start utility EE & DR programs

WA: pursue all cost-effective conservation: ~ 10% by 2025

OR: IOU 2008 goals 34 MW; administered by Energy Trust OR

CA: 8% energy savings; 4,885 MW peak reduction by 2013 (from '04)

ID: Energy Plan set conservation, DR. EE as priority resources

NV: EE up to 25% of RPS: ~ 5% electric reduction by 2015

UT: EE earns incentive credits in RE goal

CO: 11.5% energy savings by 2020: ~ 3.669 GWh (from '08)

NM: 10% retail electric sales savings by 2020 (from '05)

TX: 20% of load growth by 2010, using average growth rate of prior 5 years

HI: 30% electricity reduction:

~ 4,300 GWh by 2030 (from '09)

MN: 1.5% annual savings based on prior-3 years average, to 2015

IA: 5.4% energy savings by 2020 - 1.5% annual

MI: 1% annual energy savings as a percent of from prior year's sales IL: reduce energy use 2% by 2015 and peak 0.1% from prior year

OH: 22% energy savings by 2025 (from 2009); reduce peak 8% by 2018

KY: proposed RPS-EE to offset 18% of projected 2025 demand ME: 30% energy savings; 100 MW peak electric reduction by 2020

VT: 11% energy reductions by 2011 (2% annual); administered by Efficiency VT

MA: 25% of electric load from DSR, EE by 2020: capacity and energy

NY: reduce electric use 15% by 2015 from levels projected in 2008

CT: 4% energy savings (1.5% annual) & 10% peak reduction by 2010 (from '07)

RI: reduce 10% of 2006 sales by 2022

NJ: proceeding on Energy Master Plan to reduce consumption, peak

DE: Sustainable Energy Utility charged with 30% energy reduction by 2015

PA: reduce consumption 3%, peak 4.5% by 2013 as percent of 2009-10 sales

MD: reduce per capita electricity use and peak 15% by 2015 from 2007

VA: reduce electric use 10% by 2022 (from '06)

WV: EE & DR earn one credit for each MWh conserved in the 25% by 2025 A&RES

NC: EE to meet up to 25% of RPS to 2011

TVA: reduce energy consumption 25% and cut peak 1,400 MW by 2012 (from '08) in 7-state territory ★

EE as part of an RPS law or rule

EERS by regulation or law (stand-alone)
Voluntary standards (in or out of RPS)

EERS pending regulations, proposed, or studied

Other EE entity, rule, or procurement order

Updates at: http://www.ferc.gov/market-oversight/mkt-electric/overview/elec-ovr-eeps.pdf

^{*} TVA is a Public Power Authority – this is not a state action.

Abbreviations: A&RES – Alternative & Renewable Energy Standard; DR - demand response; DSR – demand-side resources; EE - energy efficiency; E&G: electric and gas utilities; RPS: Renewable Portfolio Standard;

Sources: ACEEE, DOE- EERE, EPA, Institute for Electricity Efficiency (IEE); Regulatory Assistance Project, State regulatory and legislative sites, State Efficiency Agency reports, trade press



Category 3: RPS Compliance Alternatives

- NH Statute does not prescribe a specific methodology.
- Three alternative are:
 - State Agency Central Procurement (IL, NY)
 - Competitive Procurement (MA)
 - Reverse Auction (CA)



Category 4: Renewable Energy Fund (REF)

- REF was created as a component of the RPS law, HB 873, enacted in 2007 (RSA 362-F:10)
- Purpose is to support thermal and electrical renewable energy initiatives
- RPS law establishes renewable energy portfolio requirements for electric service providers
- ACP's are sole source of revenue for REF



Category 4: REF Revenue

- Received annually, July 1, with RPS compliance report
- Fund revenues in 2008 = \$4.48 million
- Fund revenues in 2009 = \$1.34 million

Where do the funds go?...



REF Programs & Opportunities for Ratepayers

- Residential PV/Wind Rebate Program
- Residential Solar Hot Water Rebate Program
- Residential Wood Pellet Heating System Rebate Program
- Commercial & Industrial PV/SHW Rebate Program
- Request for Proposals (March 2011)





Contacts & Stakeholder Input

- Email Comments to NHPUC:
 - rpsreview@puc.nh.gov
 - Insert "RPS Review" in subject heading
- Comments, Updates and Report will be posted on the following website:
 - http://www.puc.nh.gov/Sustainable%20Energ y/SustainableEnergy.htm
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